

Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father & he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

ROSTERS - 11th/12th May 2024

Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator E Bevitt
Readers R Allen
Cleaners Green

Candelo Sat 6pm

Commentator Ann Hahesy
Readers R Coman
Cleaners - May R Hopkins, H Miller

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Jacinta Battista
Readers Neil Walker
Cleaners Megan Hergenhan
Audio-Visual Trish Sly
Eucharistic Ministers E Corcoran, M Hergenhan

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator Mel Ferris
Readers M Scott, A Twyford
Gifts Volunteer
Counters Danni & Mary
Music Matt Heffernan
Acolyte David Grainger
Eucharistic Ministers D Koenigkamp,

**Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation**

Bega Saturday, 9.40 - 10am before vigil Mass
Bemboka before vigil Mass
Candelo before vigil Mass
Tathra before Sunday Mass

St Patrick's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights and dignity of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families & carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all our thinking and actions.

Parishioners are encouraged to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)

St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15—6pm

Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 or Matt 0429 338 348.

Meditation & Contemplative Prayer

Meeting is held on Monday at 7.30pm in the annex of Star of the Sea Church at Tathra.

Sunday Readings Reflection Group

Tuesday at 7pm Star of the Sea Tathra. All Welcome.

ROSARY - all are welcome

Tathra - 7:20am before Sunday Mass
Bega - 9am before Sunday Mass

**MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays**

St Patrick's Church.
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

St Patrick's Sacramental Programme

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Reconciliation—26th May 2024
First Communion - 25th August 2024
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req. Please contact the Parish Office.

For Sale: Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or place your order in a marked envelope in the 2nd collection. **Bulletin & Forms** can be found on the website

6th Easter - Year B

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We acknowledge the Yuin People, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon & cared for this land for thousands of years. We pay our respect to Elders past, present & emerging. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

Relationship of Love.

These verses continue the text from last Sunday and tease out the implications of the vine symbolism and what it means to abide or remain in Jesus. The underlying reasoning is simply this: everything arises out of the loving relationship between Jesus and the Father.



Throughout his life Jesus is responding to the Father's love and making it known.

As the disciples come to faith in Jesus they are being drawn into that loving relationship and they too can share the joy that enthuses Jesus and inspires him to reveal his Father to the world.

The one sure way of knowing that their faith is true is their love for one another. Just as Jesus was prepared to lay down his life for them, so too must they be willing to live in humble service of one another.

The gospel and letters of John were probably written around 100 AD and were among the last parts of the New Testament to be penned. It is as though the prayer and reflection of the first generations of believers finally brought them to an understanding of what the whole Christian experience was all about and it could be summed up in three simple words: God is Love. This is neither pious sentimentality nor a bland cliché for, if it is taken seriously, nothing can ever be the same again. Peter and Cornelius both discovered that this is a love that makes changes and shatters old certainties. This is the love which proves that God will stop at nothing to convince a weak and wounded humanity of its immeasurable worth and dignity. The sad thing is that we often still choose to live in the darkness surrounded by our prejudice and fear. Or worse still, we imagine that being a follower of Jesus is about intellectual adherence to dogmas rather than a living out of a relationship of love.

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Sean Goan

